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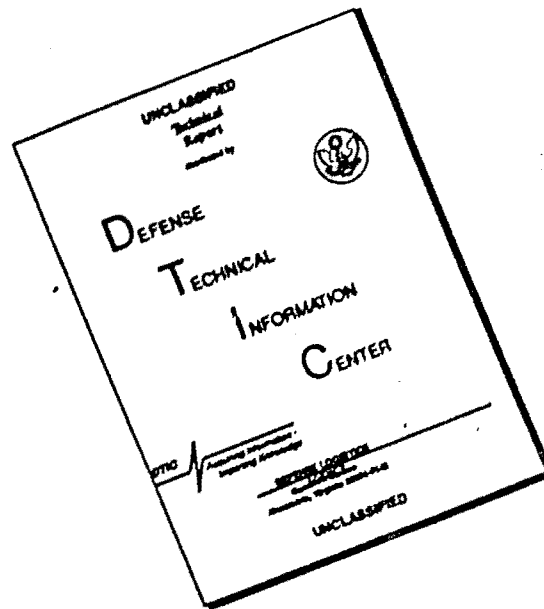
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1. (C) Operations: Significant Activities.

a. Mission. The Commanding Officer, 93d Military Police Battalion provides Military Police and Provost Marshal type services to sub-area coordinators, tactical units, commanders without organic military police, and others, as directed by the Commanding Officer, 16th Military Police Group.

b. Organization. See Inclosure 1.

c. Personnel, Morale and Discipline.

(1) Decorations:

(a) Legion of Merit. . . . .	0
(b) Soldier's Medal. . . . .	1
(c) Bronze Star with "V" . . . . .	17
(d) Bronze Star Meritorious. . . . .	24
(e) Air Medal. . . . .	1
(f) Army Commendation Medal with "V" . . . . .	41
(g) Army Commendation Medal Meritorious. . . . .	32
(h) Purple Heart . . . . .	5
(i) Brigade Certificate. . . . .	195

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## (2) Key Personnel Assignments and Departures.

### (a) Assignments:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>JOB TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
SCOUTTE, HUGH A.	1LT	Plat Leader	1 Nov
COLEMAN, JEFFERSON	2LT	Plat Leader	11 Nov
LYONS, STEVEN G.	1LT	Plat Leader	11 Nov
PALA, ANGEL E.	1LT	Plat Leader	16 Nov
PETERS, WENTON W.	1LT	Plat Leader	23 Nov
OLIVEIRA, EUGENE	2LT	Plat Leader	23 Nov
HATFIELD, JAMES R.	CSM	CSM	28 Nov
HENSON, CHARLES W.	PSG	Plat Sgt	28 Nov
BLACKWELL, LEO P.	SFC	Plat Sgt	6 Dec
BRIGHT, ROBERT L.	1SG	1SG	15 Dec
HENDRICKSON, TIMOTHY	1LT	Plat Leader	20 Dec
MULLEN, LARRY J.	2LT	Plat Leader	20 Dec
SIMMONS, EMMIT D.	1SG	1SG	20 Dec
STUETZER, THOMAS W.	2LT	Plat Leader	24 Dec
WALLACE, KENNETH E.	SFC	Opns Sgt	29 Dec
LOMAX, NATHANIEL	PSG	Opns Sgt	2 Jan
PARHAM, RICHARD O.	CPT	Opns Off	14 Jan
BOELTER, RICHARD F.	SFC	Plat Sgt	16 Jan
RAMIREZ, RAMON L.	SFC	Plat Sgt	24 Jan
MILLER, JAMES D.	SFC	Pers Sgt	26 Jan

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(b) Departures:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>JOB TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
KIMBALL, CHARLES D.	CPT	Opns Off	8 Nov
STARRATT, ROBERT L.	1LT	Plat Leader	14 Nov
GREGORY, GARY W.	SFC	S-3 Sgt	14 Nov
ROLLINS, GARY J.	SFC	Plat Sgt	16 Nov
HOWLETT, JAMES B.	1LT	Plat Leader	23 Nov
MUNOZ-TORRES, BASIL	SFC	Pers Sgt	25 Nov
CARPENTER, ALBERT P.	CSM	CSM	26 Nov
WALLACE, EDWIN L.	MAJ	CO	26 Nov
GOODSON, MICHAEL J.	1LT	Plat Leader	27 Nov
CRUMPLER, DOUGLAS W.	SFC	Plat Sgt	3 Dec
OVERSTREET, BEN JR.	SFC	Plat Sgt	3 Dec
WATSON, BILLY J.	1SG	1SG	3 Dec
JONES, HUEY P.	SFC	Plat Sgt	5 Dec
HUBBLE, GLEN E. JR.	1SG	1SG	5 Dec
MARSHAL, WILLIAM	SFC	Plat Sgt	6 Dec
OLIVEIRA, EUGENE	2LT	Plat Leader	9 Dec
TAYLOR, JULIUS JR.	SFC	Plat Sgt	11 Dec
SANCHEZ, ANASTACIO	SFC	Plat Sgt	16 Dec
DORRIS, CHARLES G.	1SG	1SG	17 Dec
GUY, JAMES L. JR.	1LT	Plat Leader	26 Dec
DENHOLM, CHARLES B.	1LT	CO	6 Jan

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>JOB TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
WIEBULL, GORDY L.	SFC	Opns Sgt	9 Jan
HICKS, JAMES S.	CPT	Asst S-3 Off	14 Jan
L. UDEWALE, DALE W.	SGM	SGM	16 Jan
CRITCHFIELD, JACK W.	CPT	Plat Leader	19 Jan

(3) Casualties:

(a) Battle Losses

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>1</u> Killed	0	0	0	0
<u>2</u> Wounded	1	0	5	6

(b) Non-Battle Losses

<u>1</u> Killed	0	0	0	0
<u>2</u> Injured	0	0	9	9

(4) Reenlistments:

	<u>Eligible</u>	<u>Reenlistments</u>
(a) 1st Term RA	22	12
(b) RA Career	6	6
(c) AUS	56	0
(d) Other	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(e) Total	84	18

(5) Civilian Personnel

	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Employed</u>
(a) Program Six Civilianization	12	10
(b) Augmentation TDA P5-WFTEA-99 dated 1 Jan 69	<u>34</u>	<u>34</u>
(c) Total	46	44

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## (6) R & R

<u>Month</u>	<u>% Utilized</u>
Nov	97
Dec	93
Jan	100

## (7) Strengths:

### (a) As of 1 Nov 1969.

<u>AUTH</u>				<u>ASG</u>			
<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
34	2	804	840	28	2	758	798

### (b) As of 31 Jan 70.

<u>AUTH</u>				<u>ASG</u>			
<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
34	2	804	840	29	2	696	727

## (8) Extensions of Overseas Tours:

### (a) Total Extensions

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Nov	0	26	26
Dec	0	11	11
Jan	0	42	42

### (b) Under PL 89-735 (6 mo)

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Nov	0	8	8
Dec	0	6	6
Jan	0	13	13

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(9) Discipline, Law and Order:

(a) General Courts 1

(b) Special Courts 4

(c) Summary Courts 0

(d) Article 15, UCMJ 47

(10) Congressional Inquiries: 9

(11) Publications:

(a) 93d MP Bn Reg 350-3, Training, Range Safety; revised 1 Nov 69.

(b) 93d MP Bn Reg 385-10, Safety, Organizational Safety Program; published 25 Dec 69.

(c) 93d MP Bn Reg 600-30, Personnel - General, Character Guidance Program; published 27 Dec 69.

(d) 93d MP Bn Reg 360-81, Army Information; Command Information; published 27 Dec 69.

(e) 93d MP Bn Reg 37-17, Financial Administration, Piaster Expenditure Reduction Program; published 9 Jan 70.

(f) 93d MP Bn OPLAN 70-69, Disaster Relief; published 4 Nov 69.

(g) 93d MP Bn OPLAN 101-69, Steel Cable; published 30 Nov 69.

d. Operations.

(1) The 93d Military Police Battalion area of responsibility extends from the Cambodian border on the West to the South China Sea to the East. From the I Corps/II Corps boundary on the North to the Southern boundary of the provinces of Phu Yen, Phu Ben, and Pleiku. The five provinces in the 93d Military Police Battalion area of responsibility are Binh Dinh, Pleiku, Kontum, Phu Ben and Phu Yen.

(2) The 93d Military Police Battalion provided Military Police resources in the following manner.

(a) Direct support of combat units.

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1 The 93d MP Bn provides one MP Squad in direct support of the 173d Airborne Bde at LZ Uplift.

2 The 93d MP Bn escorted an average of 22 convoys per day over an average distance of 1,846 miles per day.

3 The 93d MP Bn communication section, having established one of the best radio re-trans net within the 18th MP Bde, is capable of maintaining FM radio contact with Pleiku and LZ Uplift. The two (2) re-trans sites are located at Vung Chua Mountain and HongKong Mountain. This re-trans system is used to control convoy escorts on QL #1 and QL #19.

### (b) Control of PW's in US Custody.

1 The 93d MP Bn guarded a total of 76 PW's during the reporting period at the 71st Evac Hospital, Pleiku, 17th Field Hospital, An Khe, 67th Evac Hospital, Qui Nhon.

2 The 93d MP Bn escorted 96 PW's from PW Hospital and LZ English to ARVN PW Cages and Hospitals.

### (c) Specialized physical security measures.

1 During December 1969, D/58th Infantry Company conducted a 12 man reconnaissance patrol daily throughout the Vung Chua Mountain for the purpose of determining enemy movement.

2 On 12 December 1969, the D/58th Infantry Company committed eight (8) personnel for pipeline security in the Tuy Hoa area. This commitment is for an indefinite period of time.

3 The 66th Military Police Company was given the unit mission of escorting convoys on QL #19 from intersection QL #1/QL #19 to An Khe, and on QL #1 from Gia An in the North to Vung Ro Bay in the South.

4 On 19 December 1969, the 458th Trans Detachment (PBR), because of turbulent seas, relocated it's docks within the Qui Nhon Harbor. They are now located adjacent to HQ 5th TTC (CR106236). On 11 Jan 70, the 458th Trans Detachment (PBR) completed the relocation of the assigned personnel from Camp Granite to the Qui Nhon docks area. This move provided the detachment a greater degree of security and provides a ready reaction force in their area of operation.

5 The 93d MP Bn provides security to three (3) large electropower ships. The 93d MP Bn also provides security for PX and ammo ships off and on loading in the Qui Nhon Inner Harbor.

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6 The 93d MP Bn provides security for an average of eleven (11) ships per month in the Qui Nhon Harbor. Each ship is in the harbor approximately four days.

7 During this reporting quarter the 1st platoon, 981st MP Co (SD) has provided a total of thirty-two (32) sentry dogs daily at three locations within the 93d MP Bn area of responsibility. The ABD utilizes a total of twenty (20) sentry dogs, An Son, a total of seven (7) sentry dogs, and Camp Granite a total of five (5) sentry dogs. These sentry dogs are committed only during nighttime. The 3d platoon, 981st MP Co (SD) utilizes a total of 65 dogs daily at Pleiku and An Khe. Facilities protected by the dogs are the ASP in Pleiku (46 dogs) and the ASP and Class I, II and IV Yards in An Khe (19 dogs).

### (d) Discipline, Law and Order.

1 On 21 Jan 70, B/504th MP Bn (6) was relocated from Pleiku to An Khe. One MP Platoon remained in Pleiku to provide DLO type missions. The primary reason for the company headquarters relocation was due to a reduction of US Military population in Pleiku.

2 The 93d MP Bn utilizes a total of 36 day-nighttime Military Police motorized patrols throughout its area of operation. These patrols perform traffic, highway and DLO type missions.

3 The 93d MP Bn utilizes a total of 20 day-nighttime combined police patrols throughout its area of operation.

4 The 93d MP Bn operates 7 MP Checkpoints in its area of operation. Five of the seven are 24 hour posts.

5 2,557 Military Police Reports were initiated by the three PMO's (Qui Nhon, An Khe & Pleiku) assigned to the 93d MP Bn during this reporting period.

e. Training. None.

f. Intelligence. The 93d MP Bn processed a total of 195 Intelligence Spot Reports (ISR) received from the three Offices of the Provost Marshal (Qui Nhon, An Khe & Pleiku).

g. Force Development. None.

h. Communications. The 93d MP Bn commo section installed a radio remote system on top of Vung Chuz Mountain. This remote FM system has given the Office of the Provost Marshal twice the commo range that he previously had with his patrols.

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i. Logistics. None.

j. Civic Action.

1. On 15 Dec 69, the 93d MP Bn accepted the financial support for two (2) students in the Qui Nhon Normal College. This college trains teachers who, upon graduation, assume teaching positions throughout I Corps and II Corps areas. The 93d MP Bn also pays the salary of one student teacher for the Qui Nhon Normal College who teaches at the Qui Nhon Poor House. The purpose of the Poor House School is to bring the substandard educational level up to the level where they are accepted into the Vietnamese public school system. The cost of this civic action program is 7,100\$VN per month.

2. The 66th AF Co contributes the unit's mess garbage to the Trinh Vuong Elementary and High School, Qui Nhon, for feeding of their domestic animals.

2. (U) Lessons Learned: Commander's Observations, Evaluations and Recommendations.

a. Personnel.

(1) Programming of Replacement Personnel.

(a) OBSERVATION: Personnel continue to be infused into infantry units with a retainability of three to six months. Many of the infused men are "problem" personnel of other units with numerous disciplinary problems in their background.

(b) EVALUATION: A more just program for infusing personnel with a 11B MOS should be initiated. Individuals with obvious attitude and discipline problems should not be accepted, and if accepted should not be programmed into the same unit, regardless of retainability.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: A continuing effort must be made at all levels to properly screen, classify and assign these type individuals so that no one unit is literally filled up with this type replacement.

(2) Employment of WAC Personnel.

(a) OBSERVATION: Vietnamese females entering or exiting military compounds are often poorly searched or not searched at all. Local Nationals responsible for this search are either poorly motivated or sympathetic toward the pilferer.

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(c) CONCLUSION: This situation allows the female Vietnamese local National Guard excellent opportunities to conduct a systematic pilferage of weapons and articles in their person. It also allows them excellent opportunity to enter compounds with devices to be used in sabotage activities. The utilization of Women Army Corps personnel at these gates would prevent much of this systematic pilferaging and potential sabotage.

RECOMMENDATION: That the feasibility of employing W.C.'s in this  
be studied and that in future stability operations W.C.'s be utilized  
for this type of duty.

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### 11. Need for Greater Degree of Flexibility in Commitments.

CONCLUSION: Commanders at company level must be given ample latitude to employ their forces quickly to meet new situations.

CAUTION: Many units in Vietnam, up to Bn size, can not exist as a size force unless approval is given by a higher level of command. This situation can prove disastrous when a command decision is needed immediately.

4) RECOMMENDATION: That a command be given the authority to commit at three two levels below the command i.e., a company should be able to commit a squad, a battalion should be able to commit a platoon and a group should be able to commit a company, indefinitely.

(2) Prefabricated Sentry Dog Kennels.

(a) OBSERVATION: Many man-hours and much material are wasted as kennels are planned, built and then discarded due to a unit relocation or use of faulty construction.

(b) EVALUATION: Despite a standard blue print, many kennels have been built and used as units reflecting the need for sentry dogs departments. These permanent structures are then left for the ravages of the weather or the material scavengers. This is a waste of money for the United States Government.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: The feasibility of using a standard prefabricated kennels should be studied. These kennels could rapidly be moved from one location to another. An increase or decrease of dog strength could be compensated by adding or taking off individual dog units.

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### d. Organization. Need for Modification of MP Det (PM).

(1) OBSERVATION: The MP Det (PM) presently allocated to a Battalion operating under the military police area concept role are too under staffed and under equipped to carry out their mission without augmentation.

(2) EVALUATION: Under the area police concept, a military police battalion size unit is spread out. This necessitates the setting up of several Provost Marshals Offices for adequate control. Under the present set-up personnel and equipment to staff and use these offices must come from resources within the line military police companies.

(3) RECOMMENDATIONS: That in future planning, consideration be given to increasing the size of MP Det (PM) under the military police area concept.

### e. Training. M-16 Rifle Training.

(1) OBSERVATION: Personnel arriving in Vietnam are not adequately trained with the M-16 rifle.

(2) EVALUATION: Personnel are not familiar with the care, cleaning and utilization of the M-16 rifle. Although this is an old problem, it must be stressed again. Training of these personnel after they get into Vietnam is time consuming and could be costly if an attack came prior to an individual being completely trained with it.

(3) RECOMMENDATIONS: That training centers be made aware of this problem and insure that trainees just don't go to a range and shoot a few rounds down-range. A thorough evaluation of weapons training should be given at training camps to insure individuals are "qualified" with their weapons.

### f. Logistics. Boston Whaler Motors.

(1) OBSERVATION: Present 40 H.P. outboard motors utilized to power the Boston Whaler are underpowered.

(2) EVALUATION: A more powerful single engine in the 85 - 100 H.P. class is needed to power the Boston Whaler. The present equipment must be run at a high RPM in order to meet the operational requirements placed upon it during daily commitments. Operating for prolonged times at high RPM's results in excessive breakage of drive trains and excessive downtime spent in maintenance.

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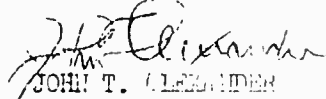
(3) RECOMMENDATION: Instead of having two 40 H.P. engines power a Boston Whaler, one 85 - 100 H.P. engine would not only do a better job, but in the long run prove more economical.

a. Communications. None

h. Material. None

i. Other. None

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Organizational Chart

  
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DA, HEADQUARTERS, 18TH MILITARY POLICE GROUP, APO 96240 21 February 1970

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the Army  
(ACSFOR, DA), Washington, D.C. 20310  
Commanding Officer, 18th Military Police Brigade, ATTN: AVBGC,  
APO 96191

1. (U) The Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the Quarterly Period ending 31 January 1970, for the 93d Military Police Battalion, APO 96238, is submitted.
2. (U) This command considers the report adequate. The following comments refer to the parts of the report indicated.

a. Reference paragraph 1c(7), Strengths: Authorized strengths for both the beginning (i.e. 1 Nov 69) and end (i.e. 31 Jan 70) of the reporting period are incorrect. The errors are caused by two factors: the failure to include two attached sentry dog platoons, and the failure to reflect a twenty space reduction in each of two assigned infantry companies. The correct figures are:

- (1) As of 1 Nov 1969.

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<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
34	2	923	959	28	2	796	826

- (2) As of 31 Jan 1970.

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<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
34	2	883	919	29	2	803	834

b. Reference paragraph 1d(2)(d)1: In addition to the reasons cited, the move of company headquarters and one additional platoon of Company B, 504th MP Battalion from Pleiku to An Khe was caused by a need to achieve greater flexibility in highway operations on QL 19, and in anticipation of impending troop redeployment. The "(6)", on line 1 of the referenced paragraph, is a typographical error.

c. Reference paragraphs 1d(2)(d)2 and 3: The 93d MP Battalion operates a total of 36 patrols daily. Of these, 20 are combined patrols. These figures do not include vehicles deployed in support of convoy escort and highway operations.

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d. Reference paragraph 2a(1): Nonconcur. Assignment of "problem" personnel into infantry units did occur for a time during the summer of 1969. This was especially true of Company D, 58th Infantry, 93d MP Battalion, and involved a large number of men with permanent and temporary physical problems which rendered them ineffective. The problem was resolved before the beginning of period covered by this report, and did not occur throughout the reporting period.

e. Reference paragraph 2a(2): Nonconcur as stated. Specifically, nonconcur with the employment of U.S. female personnel in the area of operations of the 93d MP Battalion, for three reasons: the battalion operates no large-scale resources control checkpoints; the general security conditions throughout the area make such a move inadvisable; and adequate billets would be difficult to procure. However, this command supports the concept of employing U.S. female military personnel in a resources control role during stability operations when the following three conditions exist: first, that a very large scale resources control operation, which warrants their employment, is in effect; second, that they will be employed in a relatively secure area; and third, that adequate billets are available. Such conditions are in effect at My Ca checkpoint, Cam Ranh Bay, where more than 10,000 indigenous employees are checked daily. This command again recommends the employment of female U.S. personnel at My Ca checkpoint.

f. Reference paragraph 2c(1): Nonconcur. Present degree of flexibility provided by 18th MP Brigade Regulation 190-8 is adequate. Under the Commander/Provost Marshal concept, the Battalion Commander is responsible for military police operations and commitments in his area. Although he may exercise that responsibility through subordinates, it cannot be delegated. Consequently, authority to redeploy elements should be retained by Battalion Commanders. Whether Battalion and Group Commanders should have greater authority is a question of judgement. Given present circumstances and conditions: i.e. centralization of military police support at Brigade level, authority down to Battalion level to meet emergency requirements; excellent communications; - no change is recommended.

g. Reference paragraph 2c(2): Concur. In the past year, two permanent (and expensive) sentry dog kennels have been abandoned by this command when sentry dog support at the installation was no longer required. The kennels were fixed installations and could not be moved. This command is now working with supported units to secure kennel construction at no less than seven locations in I and II Corps Tactical Zone, in order to deploy sentry dogs to support the physical security of these installations. All of the proposed new sites, plus the twelve locations presently supported by sentry dogs, will eventually be abandoned as a result of "Vietnamization." The saving to be realized by the development of a prefabricated, knockdown kennel, both in Vietnam and elsewhere, would be considerable.

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h. Reference paragraph 2d. Nonconcur. The present structuring of cells is considered adequate. The problem described by the 93d MP Battalion is a result of a local situation, which has been resolved locally through augmentation of the PM cell to meet unusual requirements.

i. Reference paragraph 2e. Concur. The low level of familiarity of military policemen arriving in Vietnam, with the M-16 rifle, has been mentioned before by subordinate units of this command. It remains a problem to be resolved.

j. Reference paragraph 2f. Nonconcur. The present Boston wheeler engines are more than adequate if properly used and maintained.

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SUBJECT: Operational Report - Lessons Learned, 93d Military Police  
Battalion, Period Ending 31 January 1970, RCS CSFOR-65 (R2) (U)

DA, HEADQUARTERS, 18TH MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE, APO 96491

TO: Commanding General, United States Army Vietnam, ATTN: AVHGC-DST,  
APO 96375

1. (U) Basic correspondence and 1st Indorsement have been reviewed and are considered adequate as modified below.
2. (U) Reference item concerning replacement personnel, paragraph 2a(1), page 9, basic correspondence: Nonconcur. See paragraph 2d, page 2, 1st Indorsement.
3. (U) Reference item concerning employment of WAC personnel, paragraph 2a(2), page 9, basic correspondence and paragraph 2e, page 2, 1st Indorsement: Concur. A high degree of efficiency could be obtained by utilizing WAC personnel in that they would not be subject to threats and violence and would not tend to be sympathetic toward the people being searched. VN female searchers are subject to threats, violence, ostracism and collusion. Since over two thirds of LNDH personnel are female, the US Government is subject to tremendous losses of property and currency until proper searches of female employees can be accomplished.
4. (U) Reference item concerning need for greater degree of flexibility in commitments, paragraph 2c(1), page 10, basic correspondence: Nonconcur. See paragraph 2f, page 2, 1st Indorsement.
5. (U) Reference item concerning prefabricated sentry dog kennels, paragraph 2e(2), page 10, basic correspondence and paragraph 2g, page 2, 1st Indorsement: Concur. This headquarters is exploring development or purchase of portable kennels. Land Warfare Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, has been asked to supply twenty-five portable kennels to this headquarters for testing.
6. (U) Reference item concerning modification of MP Det (PM), paragraph 2d, page 11, basic correspondence: Nonconcur. See paragraph 2h, page 3, 1st Indorsement.
7. (U) Reference item concerning M-16 rifle training, paragraph 2e, page 11, basic correspondence and paragraph 2i, page 3, 1st Indorsement: Concur. There is a definite need for more intensive and better supervised training with the M-16 prior to personnel arriving in Vietnam.
8. (U) Reference item concerning boston whaler motors, paragraph 2f, page 11, basic correspondence: Nonconcur. See paragraph 2j, page 3, 1st Indorsement. A more powerful motor would cause the boston whaler to be over powered, therefore becoming a safety hazard. The boston whaler has no mission and would justify sacrificing safety for power.

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WHGC-DST (31 Jan 70) 3d Ind

SUBJECT: Operational Report-Lessons Learned, 93d Military Police Battalion  
Period Ending 31 January 1970, RCL USFOR-61 (R), (C)

Headquarters, United States Army, Vietnam, APO San Francisco 96 21

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army, Pacific, AFPM: AFM-1,  
APO 96558

1. This headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 31 January 1970 from Headquarters, 93d Military Police Battalion and concurs with the content of indorsing headquarters.

2. Comments follow:


a. Reference item concerning "Employment of WAC Personnel", page 9, paragraph 2a(2); 1st Indorsement, paragraph 2e; and 2d Indorsement, paragraph 3; nonconcur with the employment of WAC personnel in the area of operations of the 93d MP Battalion as acceptable billets are not available. However, recommend utilization of WAC personnel at those installations having large scale resources control operations warranting their employment. They have been effectively utilized on a trial basis at Long Binh and at My Cau checkpoint, Cam Ranh Bay. EW are not to be utilized for the sole purpose of searching Vietnamese females. Utilization at the gate should be an additional duty limited to not more than twice weekly. No action at USARPAC or DA recommended.

b. Reference item concerning "Need for Greater Degree of Flexibility in Commitments", page 10, paragraph 2c(1); 1st Indorsement, paragraph 2f; and 2d Indorsement, paragraph 4; nonconcur with basic, concur with 1st and 2d Indorsements. Limitations on the commitment of forces are a matter of command prerogative.

c. Reference item concerning "Prefabricated Sentry Dog Kennels", page 10, paragraph 2c(2); 1st Indorsement, paragraph 2g; and 2d Indorsement, paragraph 5; concur. No action by USARPAC or DA is recommended at this time since the 18th MP Brigade has requested Land Warfare Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, to provide portable dog kennels to this headquarters for testing.

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GPOP-DT (10 Feb 70) 4th Ind (U)


SUBJECT: Operational Report of HQ, 93d Military Police Battalion for  
Period Ending 31 January 1970, RCS CSFOR-65 (R2) (U)

HQ, US Army, Pacific, APO San Francisco 96558 16 APR 1970

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the  
Army, Washington, D. C. 20310

This headquarters concurs in subject report as indorsed.

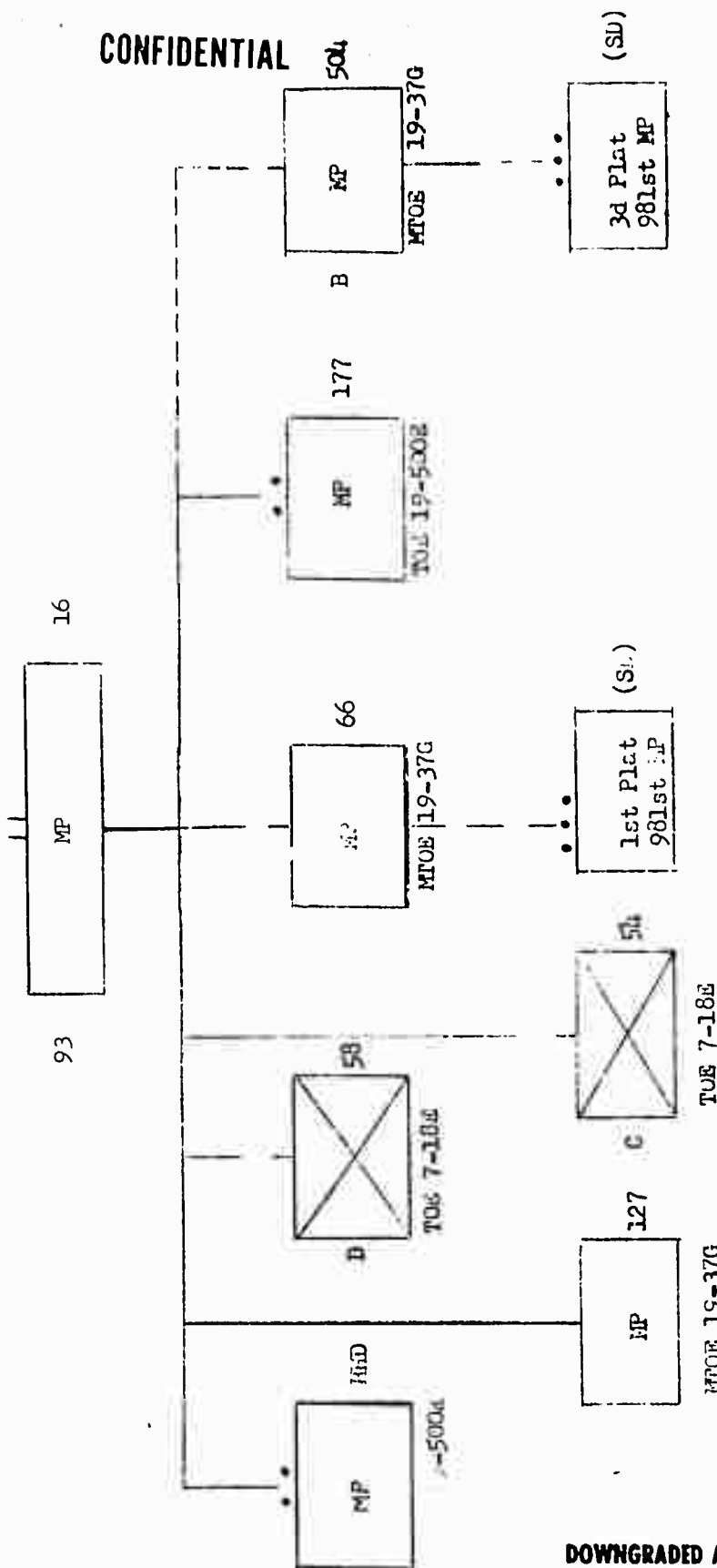
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